# BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017 TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE AGENDA

- 1. Call Meeting To Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Presentation of any Town Council Recognitions
- 4. Consider minutes of previous meetings
- 5. Receive and review correspondence and documents
  - Safety Enhancement Grant Approval Vehicle Prison Transport Cage for Police Cruiser
  - b. Downeast Transportation October 2017 Ridership
  - c. Letter of Support Rural Manufacturing Development Assistance Program
- 6. New Ordinances to Consider/Introduce
- 7. Discussion Items (Manager Clarification and Direction, or Council Discussion and/or Input on Issues)
  - a. Heart & Soul Program Update/Funding Request
  - b. Royal Ridge Lane Road/stormwater management acceptance
  - c. Decorating Committee Request
  - d. Upper Long Pond Property Owner Concern re: Ordinance Requirements
- 8. Agenda Items
  - a. To approve Resolve 2018-25 to approve the Municipal Review Election Ballot for the election of (3) Directors to serve from January 1, 2018 December 30, 2020.
  - b. To approve Resolve 2018-26 to approve the sale of the 2008 Trackless and attachments to high bidder Mark Freeman for \$5,500
  - c. To approve Resolve 2018-27 to approve Decorating Committee funding for the 2017 Holiday Season
  - d. To approve Resolve 2018-28 to approve up to \$8,000 in funding to complete the Heart & Soul Project
  - e. To approve Resolve 2018-20 to approve of acceptance of Royal Ridge Lane as a town way
- 9. Resignations, Appointments, Assignments, and Elections
- 10. Approval of Quit Claims, Discharges, and Deeds
- 11. Town Manager Report
  - a. Department Head Reports
- 12. Set Public Hearings, and/or Hold Public Hearings and Approval of any Licenses or Permits
  - a. Shall an Ordinance be adopted titled, "Repeal and Replacement of Appendix I Solid Waste Flow Control Ordinance"
- 13. Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda for Council and Public
- 14. Designation of Topics for Committee Assignment, and Scheduling of Committee Meeting
- 15. Adjournment

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October 31, 2017

David E. Winchester Town of Bucksport Box C-1 Bucksport, ME 04416

RE: Safety Enhancement Grant Application for May 2017

Dear Sergeant Winchester:

The selection committee has reviewed your application and is pleased to approve your request. This grant is to be used exclusively for purchasing the Vehicle Prison Transport Cage, as stated in your application.

The grant is intended to cover two-thirds of your cost up to, but not exceeding \$733.33. When your project is <u>complete</u>, please send us proof of payment (cancelled check, treasurer's warrant, "paid" stamped invoice, etc.) so that reimbursement can be made. The grant must be used within one year from the date of this letter or it will be withdrawn.

If you have any questions, please call Jennette Holt at 624-0140 or contact me directly at 624-0165. Congratulations on your grant! We appreciate your interest in workplace safety.

Sincerely,

Donald Vickery

Loss Control Manager

cc: Susan M. Lessard, PO Drawer X

App: 10-17-005



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PO Box 914, Ellsworth, ME 04605-0914 667-5796

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TOWN OF BUCKSPORT, MAINE

Incorporated June 25, 1792

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

P.O. Drawer X Bucksport, Maine 04416 Phone (207) 469-7368 Fax (207) 469-7369

November 6, 2017

Mr. George Gervais, Chair MRDA Board of Directors State Department of Community Development State House Station #59 Augusta, ME 04333-0059

RE: Rural Manufacturing Development Assistance Program

Dear Mr. Gervais and Board Members,

The purpose of this letter is to provide information for the Board as it works to finalize the rules for implementation of this program.

As you know, Bucksport is one of the communities which lost a paper mill within the past several years. We are fortunate that despite that devastating loss the Town has been working cooperatively with the private owner of the former mill site on environmental assessment and an EPA area wide planning grant. We have also maintained a Community & Economic Development Director position at the local level to assist with not only the mill site – but also the overall community and economic development plan for the community of Bucksport as a whole.

The Town is extremely fortunate that its elected officials were planning financially for the potential closure of the mill for a number of years before the event actually happened. That provided a cushion for the community in absorbing the valuation decrease until it was formally recognized through state funding formulas for education and revenue sharing. However, even though the Town had been working to offset the potential revenue loss, and it is working cooperatively with the property owner, there is a need for additional funding to continue work beyond the area wide planning grant that is currently in progress for the implementation and marketing of the plan that is developed.

The Rural Manufacturing Assistance Program will be a great tool for communities such as ours who, although they are receiving planning grants – are also spending significant local dollars to partner with local groups working on community redevelopment. The outcome of our EPA area-wide planning grant will provide a road map forward – and funding will be needed for both the Town and the property owner to cooperatively market and develop that 'road map'.

The cost of marketing and implementation for this site will be significant and Bucksport would benefit greatly from access to funding through this program to augment the considerable local funds that are being expended on community redevelopment. We also see value in the shared staffing which will help all of the mill-loss affected communities in a coordinated fashion, which will in turn improve the effectiveness of dollars granted.

While it is not possible to anticipate at this time a specific dollar value need for the Town of Bucksport and its marketing and implementation plan for the former mill site following the EPA area wide planning grant, we do anticipate that the need will be significant. Port development, securing funding for rail improvements, and work to insure the coordinated development of the 300+ acre property in a way that provides good jobs and increased community value will be an expensive process.

We thank you for your work on this Board and look forward to participation in this program as it moves forward.

Sincerely,

Susan Lessard Town Manager

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# **Summary of Heart & Soul Financials**

Total Donations	\$	27,475
Total Expenses Through 12/31/17	\$	23,515
Balance 12/31/17	\$	3,960
Building Expenses Jan - March 2018	\$	3,278
Operation Expenses Jan - March 2018	\$	6,673
Start-up funds for Post Heart & Soul	\$	2,000
Shortfall	-\$	7,991





## Lessard, Susan <slessard@bucksportmaine.gov>

# **Decorating Comm. Money**

1 message

Grindle, Christopher <chris.grindle@bucksportmaine.gov> To: Susan Lessard <slessard@bucksportmaine.gov>

Tue, Nov 7, 2017 at 11:27 AM

Sue -

Here are the details for the Decorating Committee resolve:

62 trees @ \$20/each = \$1,240 C9 bulb lights for poles = \$900 Bucket truck for install = \$500 Bulbs / supplies = \$60 Total = \$2,700

Thanks -Chris

Christopher R. Grindle | Information Technology Coordinator Town of Bucksport, Maine | Incorporated June 25, 1792 50 Main Street | P.O. Drawer X | Bucksport, Maine 04416 207.469.7368, ext. 6000 (office) | 207.949.7500 (mobile) chris.grindle@bucksportmaine.gov | www.bucksportmaine.gov www.linkedin.com/in/cgrindle

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# RESOLVE #R-2018-25 TO APPROVE THE MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE BALLOT THE 1/1/2018 – 12/31/2020 TERM

Whereas, the Town of Bucksport is a member of the Municipal Review Committee, and

Whereas the Municipal Review Committee conducts an annual election for members of the Board of Directors

Whereas the Town of Bucksport has the opportunity to cast one ballot for one candidate, and

Whereas Sophia Wilson is currently the Town Manager of Orono and currently serves as the Treasurer of the Municipal Review Committee,

Be it resolved by the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled to cast the Town ballot for Sophie Wilson of Orono on the Municipal Review Committee ballot.

Acted	on Novei	mber 9, 2017	
Yes	No	Abstained	
Atteste	ed by: Ka	athy Downes, Town Clerk	

■ 395 State Street

■ Ellsworth, ME 04605

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866-254-3507

207-664-1700 Voice

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To: MRC Membership

From: Greg Lounder, MRC Clerk

Date: November 1, 2017

RE: MRC Board of Directors Election Ballot

Please find enclosed a MRC Board of Directors election ballot. Ballots cast in this election will determine the election of three (3) Directors to serve on the MRC Board of Directors for three-year terms from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020. Biographical descriptions of the candidates, as provided by the candidates, are also enclosed for your information.

Ballots must be returned to MRC before 5:00 pm, December 12, 2017.

The election results will be read at the MRC Annual Meeting held at 3:00 P.M. in the afternoon on December 13, 2017 at the Town of Hampden Public Safety Building on 106 Western Avenue in Hampden.

Note: Vote must be cast for one candidate only.

Please contact Greg Lounder at 664-1700 or 866-254-3507 with any questions.

# **Voting Ballot**

♦ To fill three positions for a three year term from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020 (3 highest vote totals)

The Charter Municipality of casts its vote for the following individual to serve on the Municipal Review Committee Board of Directors for the above stated term.  Note: Candidates are listed alphabetically. Biographies provided by each candidate are attached.	
VOTE FOR ONE INDIVIDUAL ONLY	
$\longrightarrow$ More than one checked box will invalidate the ballot $\leftarrow$	
□ Kevin Howell – Carmel	
□ Ralph Saucier – Millinocket	
□ Sophie Wilson – Orono	
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Please return this ballot no later than 5:00 p.m., DECEMBER 12, 2017 to:

Municipal Review Committee, Inc. 395 State Street Ellsworth, Maine 04605 Or

FAX: (207) 667-2099 EMAIL ATTACHMENT: glounder@mrcmaine.org

RESULTS OF THIS ELECTION WILL BE READ AT THE MRC ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD DECEMBER 12, 2017

### **Kevin Howell**

Kevin is the Town Manager, Road Commissioner, Code Enforcement Officer, Plumbing Inspector, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, and GA Administrator for the town of Carmel. After spending 20 years in the private financial sector, Kevin entered the public sector and hasn't looked back. Under his administration, he has been able to reduce the municipal budget appropriation and at the same time, significantly improve efficiency and infrastructure. In 2017 Kevin implemented a complete overhaul of the town recycling program by over 30%. His broad knowledge base and experience would be a valued addition to the MRC Board of Directors.

## Raiph Saucier

Ralph has over (10) ten years of experience employed by the Town of Millinocket as a Director of Public Works which include responsibilities at The Millinocket Cemetery as the Sexton, Airport Manager, and Solid Waste Facility Director.

I believe my strengths are being able to recognize diversity and acknowledge the need for .change.

Accomplishments have been working with Penobscot County as a partnership to provide a much better solution for MSW disposal for areas surrounding the Millinocket Region. These areas are now able to use the Town's MSW disposal and Recycling Facility instead of the need for containers which are hard to manage, and are not environmentally friendly.

My job at Millinocket has been a challenge working with my fellow employees to find new ways of doing the same thing. I hope to find that same opportunity working with the board at The MRC.

### Sophie Wilson

Sophie Wilson has served as Town Manager for a total of 17 years – the last 6 in Orono, Maine and the previous 11 in Brownville, Maine. She is finishing up her fourth term on the MRC Board of Directors and currently serves at the MRC Treasurer. In Brownville, she served on various regional boards including the Penquis Solid Waste Board of Directors in the roles of both President and Treasurer. She has also served on the Maine Workers Compensation Board of Directors as well as a member, President, and Past President of the Maine Municipal Association Executive Committee. While family and work in Orono keeps Sophie quite busy, she currently serves as a Public Member of the Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar Grievance Commission

# RESOLVE #2018-26 TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE 2008 TRACKLESS AND ATTACHMENTS

Whereas, the Town of Bucksport has surplus equipment not needed or utilized by the Town, and

Whereas, the Town of Bucksport has advertised for the sale of the following equipment:

- a. 2008 Trackless and attachments
- b.

Whereas the town received 2 bids for the 2008 Trackless and attachments:

- a. Mark Freeman, \$5,500
- b. Warren Smith \$3,722

Be it resolved by the members of the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled to approve the sale of the 2008 Trackless and attachments to Mark Freeman for \$5,500 with the funds being deposited into the Highway Equipment Reserve account.

Acted or	i Novembe	er 9, 2017
Yes	No	Abstained
Attested	by:	
Kathy Do	ownes, To	wn Clerk



FROM: JAY LANPHER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TO: SUSAN LESSARD, TOWN MANAGER

**REF: SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALE** 

DATE: November 3, 2017

Bid submittals for "2008 TRACKLESS WITH ATTACHMENTS"

BIDDER BID

Mark Freeman \$5,500.00

Warren Smith \$3,722.00

Recommend award the sale of the 2008 TRACKLESS and attachments to Mark Freeman of Greenville, Maine for \$5500.00

# RESOLVE #2018-27 TO APPROVE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE DECORATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2017 HOLIDAY SEASON

Whereas, the Bucksport Town Council has traditionally supported efforts to beautify the downtown during the holiday season, and

Whereas, the program funding for the Decorating Committee was reduced in 2016 due to the cost of acquiring new wooden baskets for the Christmas Trees, and

Whereas, the Decorating Committee has identified expenses necessary to enhance the downtown for this holiday season, and

Whereas, the Decorating Committee will also be seeking contributions from local businesses who wish to have a tree near their business, therefore

Be it resolved by the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled to approve \$2,700 as requested by the Decorating Committee for the 2017 season.

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstained \_\_\_\_ Attested by: Kathy Downes, Town Clerk

Acted on November 9, 2017

# RESOLVE #2018-28 TO APPROVE USE OF \$20,000 FROM TIF REVENUES TO FUND THE BUCKSPORT HEART & SOUL PROGRAM

Whereas, the Bucksport Town Council voted in November of 2015 and November of 2016 to support the Community Heart & Soul Program, and

Whereas, that support included Town staff time and a contribution to the cost of a part time program director, and

Whereas, the Heart & Soul Program, in addition to Town Funding has received \$27,475 in donations and grants to pay for program and facility expenses, and

Whereas, the Heart & Soul Program remains a priority for the Town Council and the community, and the Town wishes to support the program, and

Whereas, the Heart & Soul Program is scheduled to complete its work by March of 2018, and

Whereas, contribution by the Town would allow the program to be completed, the current facility to be utilized through the end of the program, and initial program goals to be undertaken.

Be it resolved by the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled to approve the expenditure of up to \$8,000 for use by the Heart & Soul program to complete their work by March of 2018.

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Attested by	/: Kathy	Downes,	Town Clerk

Acted on November 9, 2017

# RESOLVE #R-2018-20 TO APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF ROYAL RIDGE DRIVE AS A TOWN WAY

Whereas, the Town of Bucksport has received a request from the current owners of Royal Ridge Drive for the Town to assume its ownership, and

Whereas, said ownership includes the cost of maintaining and repairing the road and attendant stormwater systems, and

Whereas, the Town has investigated the current status of the road and stormwater systems and found them to be in good condition and in compliance with DEP standards, and

Whereas, the Bucksport residents on Royal Ridge Drive wish to have the ability for mail delivery and bus service for their children and cannot do that on a private way,

Be it resolved by the Bucksport Town Council in Town Council assembled to approve the acceptance of Royal Ridge Drive as a Town Way.

Acted on November 9, 2017					
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# TOWN OF BUCKSPORT CODE ENFORCEMENT/PLANNING OFFICE REPORT October, 2017

#### PERMITS ISSUED

12 building/land use permits were issued, including a change of use to a tavern, several small projects and one new dwelling.

3 plumbing permits were issued, including 1 septic system.

ADDRESSING ACTIVITY: No activity

**BOARD OF APPEALS ACTIVITY:** No activity

#### PLANNING BOARD ACTIVITY

At their October 3rd meeting, the planning board reviewed and approved a change to the site plan for a new church on Silver Lake Road. The change involved changing the building from a two-story structure to a one-story structure.

### **ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY**

- Update: The mobile home land use violations on Bucksmills Road are slowly being resolved. The water connection has still not been made, but I'm told by the contractor that it could be done within a week.
- Update: An unpermitted recreational lodging business continues on Route 46. There are also at least two other unpermitted businesses advertising on sites like AirBnB. Attempts to gain voluntary cooperation have been unsuccessful.
- A letter was sent to a property owner occupying a camper on an Upper Long Pond Road property. The owner installed an outhouse and small graywater disposal field without benefit of a design or permit. They responded to the letter and are cooperating.
- A letter was sent to another property owner occupying a camper on Upper Long Pond Road. Wastewater was being drained into a nearby ditch. The owner was asked to discontinue that activity.
- An email was sent to the owner of a Strickland Ridge Road home that was completed without building or plumbing inspections. A recent site visit revealed several issues that needed to be addressed before occupancy could be approved.
- The failure of the property owner to arrange for required inspections also became an issue for a Williams Pond Road property that was being sold. No plumbing or building inspections were conducted. A recent site visit arranged by the realtor revealed several issues that needed to be addressed before occupancy could be approved.
- A concern was expressed to the town manager about the failure of the plumbing contractor who performed work at the treatment plant project to arrange for required plumbing inspections. Also, a required certificate of occupancy has not yet been issued. A third party inspection report verifying compliance with all applicable building codes is needed before the certificate can be issued.

### OTHER ACTIVTY

- Updated information on the town's website.
  - Worked on an amendment to Chapter 5 of the Town Code.
- Provided tours of Wilson Hall to interested parties.
- Attended a town council meeting.
- Attended a streets & road and finance committee meeting.

- Conducted building and plumbing inspections.
- Contacted the town attorney for help determining ownership of a sewer main on an abandoned section of Second Street.
- Installed banners.
- Typical office work maintaining records, answering calls and emails, meeting with citizens, answering questions, providing copies of documents.



Bucksport Heart & Soul Report November 6, 2017

"I would like to keep Bucksport a small community with people who look out for each other and care about each other." -Bucksport citizen

People looking out for each other and caring about each other has been in evidence this week in Bucksport as folks rally together after the destruction of the wind storm Sunday night and Monday morning. Community Spirit at his best! And Bucksport Heart & Soul headquarters has been open for phone charging, internet, and conversation.

### Highlights of our October work:

- 'Listening' phase completed! 2,500 comments have been entered on our data spreadsheet!!
- House Listening Sessions were completed with positive response from all community members who attended.
- Data Team duplicated comments for Type (Value, Concern, Hope, and Idea) and Community Theme. . . bringing the total comments to over 4,000!!
- Town Council written report and update to Council October 12, 2017
- Eight H&S volunteers attended the "Transformation of a Region Conference" in Bangor, ME on October 16, 2017. Where Bucksport Heart & Soul was recognized as one of Rising Stars.
- H&S volunteers met with a woman from Georgia who will be coaching H&S communities in her area and Orton Foundation Representatives on October 16, 2017. She asked us lots of questions about our process and progress here in Bucksport.
- ADAPT Open House at H&S headquarters to gather community input regarding the Mill Site redevelopment - October 17, 2017.
- Meeting with Elan representatives regarding possible collaboration from H&S data regarding Mill comments - October 18, 2017.
- H&S organized the Chili Cook-Off at Bucksport Ghostport Event October 21, 2017.

# Community & Economic Development October 2017 Activities Submitted by Rich Rotella

# **Monthly Activities:**

- \* Attended NEDA Conference in Providence, RI from October 1st 3rd.
- \* Attended Maine Biomass Exports Meeting in Belfast on October 4th.
- \* Completed an interview with WVII for the ADAPT Open House on October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Completed an interview with WABI for the ADAPT Open House on October 5th.
- \* Met with interested party at AIM site on October 5th.
- \* Attended the Holiday Planning Meeting at Chamber on October 6th.
- \* Volunteered as referee and field set up Bucksport Youth Soccer on October 7th.
- \* Assisted with Freshmen Volunteer Day on the waterfront and Main St on October 11th.
- \* Attended an ADAPT phone meeting on October 11th.
- \* Met with group from Verona Historical Society on October 12th.
- \* Attended Town Council Meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Volunteered as referee and field set up Bucksport Youth Soccer on October 14th.
- \* Attended day long EMDC Transforming the Region Conference in Bangor October 16th.
- \* Evening meeting with ELAN reps on October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Met with Main St business owner on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Met with prospective new business owner on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Attended ADAPT Open House from 10-7 @ Heart & Soul HQ on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Met with ELAN & EMDC reps in the evening on October 17<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Attended ADAPT Meeting at AIM on October 18th.
- \* Met with business owner for open space on October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Held ribbon cutting for Flower Shop & Tanning Salon on October 21st.
- \* Volunteered at Ghostport on October 21st.
- \* Attended EMDC meeting on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

- H&S presentation at the Duck Cove Community Center shared our work and video -October 23, 2017.
- Practice session for our H&S Summary Statement Events attended by 10 volunteers-October 23, 2017.
- H&S Summary Statement Event Monday, October 30 attended by 15 volunteers and community citizens. Community themes discussed: Community Spirit and Healthy Community.
- H&S Summary Statement Event Thursday, November 2 attended by 20+ people.
   Community themes addressed: Environment and Recreation
- H&S Summary Statement Event Sunday, November 5 Attended by 20+ people.
   Community themes discussed: Local Economy, Small Town Feel
- UPCOMING EVENT: H&S Summary Statement Event Thursday, November 16,
   5:30pm-7:30pm, H&S headquarters. Community themes to be discussed: Education,
   Vibrant Downtown, and Infrastructure
- Photographer for Yankee Magazine (a Bucksport High School graduate!) attended the Nov. 2 Summary Statement Event. Photos will accompany Mel Allen's Bucksport article in the spring issue of Yankee magazine.

### H&S Team

• An amazing group of dedicated, smart, and creative individuals who embrace the work and each other.

Check our Website and Facebook page for more information: Http://www.bucksportheartandsoul.com
Http://www.facebook.com/BucksportHeartandSoul

THank you, Nancy Minott Bucksport Heart and Soul Coordinator

- \* Met with interested party at AIM site on October 24th.
- \* Phone meeting with Chmura on October 24th.
- \* Phone meeting with ELAN/EMDC about article for BDN on October 27th.
- \* Assisted with clean-up of waterfront walkway on October 30th.

### Recognition:

I wanted to thank the marina staff: Mike Ormsby, Bill Chandler and Bill Gray for a wonderful season as the marina closed up on October 15<sup>th</sup>. I wanted to thank the waterfront crew Ron Gross and Harold Barr for keeping our waterfront looking beautiful. Harold's last day was on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Ron will be with us until the waterfront bathrooms are closed for the season which should be the week ending November 10<sup>th</sup>. I wanted to thank the Town Crew for their exceptional work with getting the town docks taken out of the water and stacked at both the Town Dock, Fishing Pier and Marina Parking Lots. Finally, I want to thank our Harbor Master and Assistant Harbor Master for their hard work this summer. All-in-all it was a great season on the waterfront and it wouldn't be possible without all of these fine individuals.

# **Upcoming Events:**

- \* Heart & Soul shared statements event November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- \* Heart & Soul Shared statements event November 5th
- \* Election Day on November 7th
- \* DART Symposium on November 9th
- \* Heart & Soul shared statement events November 16th
- \* Downtown Decorating sponsored by the Town of Bucksport throughout month of November
- \* Turkey Trek sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce November 19th
- \* Small Business Saturday sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce November 25th
- \* Tree Lighting Ceremony sponsored by the Town of Bucksport on November 25th
- \* Holiday Lights Parade sponsored by the Town of Bucksport December 9th



# **BUCKSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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# BUCKSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

### MONTHLY REPORT

#### **OCTOBER 2017**

## Chief Sean Geagan:

The month of October was a very busy month for the Police Department. We handled many different cases along with some major cases that we have investigated this month. I would like to take this opportunity to give a shout out to our team. This includes Dispatch, Patrol, Fire and EMS. These groups work very well together in any time of need for our citizens and our team. So thank you to all of you for continuing to do such a great job as the Bucksport Team.

I had the opportunity to travel to Philadelphia this month and represent the State of Maine at the International Association Chiefs of Police convention. There were 15000 police administrators and command staff from 58 different countries at this event. I had the opportunity to network with many different administrators and made sure that the State of Maine and the Town of Bucksport was well represented. I attended several trainings over the four days that I was at the convention. The one thing that I learned was that we all do the same job throughout the world it is just on a smaller scale for some and larger scale for others.

I attended an awards event in Portland this month that was sponsored by the Maine Childrens Trust. This was a very well attended event. Caribou Chief Mike Gahagan received an award from the Maine Childrens Trust for all of the work that he does in the interest of the children in the State of Maine.

The department received two Thank You cards this month. One was for an officer helping a citizen with their animal and the other was for the kindness and compassion that Sergeant Winchester had shown at a complaint in the year 2000, this card came from a lady that had to move out of Bucksport due to family issues. She wanted us to know that we had the best Police Force and that she believed in Bucksport. (Both cards are enclosed in this report).

We had another successful Halloween this year. We had 329 children come into the public safety building trick or treating. I would like to thank Dispatcher Dan Joy for his help with this event, all went well. Officers Chris Woodman and Ryan Knight worked extra shifts on this evening to ensure the safety of our children. (See enclosed picture)

Last but certainly not least we ended the month with a major storm that we are still cleaning up from as I type this report. The team came together very well once again and we managed to have all roads open and all home safe within hours of the storm's end. We are still without power at this time but people also have a place to go to shower and clean up, a special thanks to RSU 25 and Superintendent Boothby for this.

## Sergeant David Winchester:

Chief Geagan, Sergeant Winchester, Officer Knight and Officer Findlay responded to and investigated a shooting this month that resulted in the arrest of Cory Turcotte (26 of Bucksport). Turcotte was charged with Aggravated Assault and Reckless Conduct with a Firearm and transported to the Hancock County Jail. Two victims were transported to the hospital with serious injuries. The Bucksport Police were assisted by the Hancock County Sheriff's Office and the Maine State Police.

Chief Geagan, Sgt. Winchester and Officer Bishop assisted the State Police during the investigation of the death of a child this month. The investigation into this incident is ongoing. All deaths involving children under the age of 3 are investigated by the Maine State Police.

Sergeant Winchester also arrested Adam Barnes (31 of Detroit) on an outstanding warrant and charged Ronald Garner (45 of Bucksport) for violation of bail and Adam Hasenbank (32 of Bucksport) for operating after suspension.

He completed and executed a search warrant on an ongoing investigation and assisted Officer Marcel in completing an affidavit for cell phone records. He also completed a probation check, 2 bail compliance checks and a domestic violence follow up.

Sergeant Winchester completed a ballistic vest grant that resulted in the Department receiving nearly \$2700.00 in funds to purchase new vests. The Police Department has received similar funds in the past that help the purchase of the vest for the Officers. The ballistic vests have a "life span" of 5 years and are required to be replaced. The cost of the vests can vary but often are around \$800-\$1000 for each vest. The Police Department has a policy that requires the Officer's to wear the vests during their patrol shifts.

He also received approval on a grant from Maine Municipal Association for the purchase of a transport cage for the newest police cruiser. The grant awarded up to \$733.33 for the purchase of the cage. The Department was awarded a similar grant in the recent past that allowed the purchase of a transport cage in the 2016 patrol cruiser. This cage is a safety device used to separate the prison and the officer during transports.

Sergeant Winchester has been working with the Next Step (Domestic Violence Agency) and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office to create a Violent Offender Task Force. Next Step assisted by writing a grant to provide funds to pay the overtime to the

officers working in the Task Force. Sgt. Winchester learned that the grant was awarded, but is awaiting the total of approved funding.

The Bucksport Police Department again participated in the Drug Take Back Day. The Department collected 5 boxes of unwanted/unused medication that totaled 151 pounds. The medication was collected and disposed of in the southern part of the State. The State of Maine collected a total of 41,700 lbs of medication that was disposed of instead of making its way to our streets for illegal consumption. This continues to be a valuable program for the Department and we will continue to participate. The Police Department has a 24 hour drug box in the lobby available for safe medication disposal.

The Police Department participated in both the Ghost port and Halloween events this year. Officers assisted in shutting down Main Street for Ghost port events and also closed off sections of Town during Halloween to allow safe locations for children to enjoy Trick or Treating. Both events went very well and had not issues!

## Patrol:

The Patrol Division had 17 arrests, 12 citations and 168 warnings for a total of 180 violations. There were 422 CAD calls for police services this month. The Patrol Division handled 23 motor vehicle accidents this month. I have included a map of all the calls for service for the Police Department this month.

Officer Woodman had 71 violations, Sergeant Winchester had 20 violations, Officer Welch had 18 violations, Officer Schmidt had 15 violations, Officer Findlay had 13 violations, Officer Knight and Officer Sullivan had 12 violations each, Officer Bishop had 10 violations, Officer Marcel had 7 violations, ACO Joy had 3 violations and Chief Geagan each had 1 violation. A partial list of complaints handled along with percentage of time spent for the month are attached to this report.

The Department has six areas of crime that are reported each month to the uniform crime reporting system. These areas cover; Criminal Homicide, Forcible Rape, Robbery, Assault, Burglary and Theft. In the month of September we had 0 Criminal Homicides, 0 Forcible Rape, and 0 Robbery. We had 6 assaults and cleared 5, 1 burglary, we had 5 thefts and cleared 4. We had 11 actual cases and we cleared 9. Cases can be cleared by an arrest or exceptional means. This means that the case was solved in one form or another. Keep in mind that cases from previous months that we clear will show up on this months report.

### Dispatch:

In the month of October, the Dispatch Center made 6109 radio log entries. A total list from the new system is attached to this report, this includes percentages. All of these calls are taken by the dispatch and put into the computer aided dispatch system and dispatch to the appropriate units. The dispatch center completed 36 burn permit this month all of these include meeting with individuals in the building to complete these; they completed 5 concealed weapons permits. They also completed Court Work, Payroll, and Purchase Orders for billing purposes along with answering all calls and greeting the

public at the Public Safety Building. This department continues to be very busy in all areas.

# Animal Control:

In the month of October, Officer Joy handled 26 animal complaints. Officer Joy took in 5 cats from Bucksport, 1 dog and 1 cat from Orland, 1 cat from Prospect and 1 cat from Winterport. He had 1 dog and 1 cat reclaimed, 3 cats were adopted.

# Police Advisory Committee:

The Police Advisory Committee did not meet this month.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean P. Geagan Chief of Police



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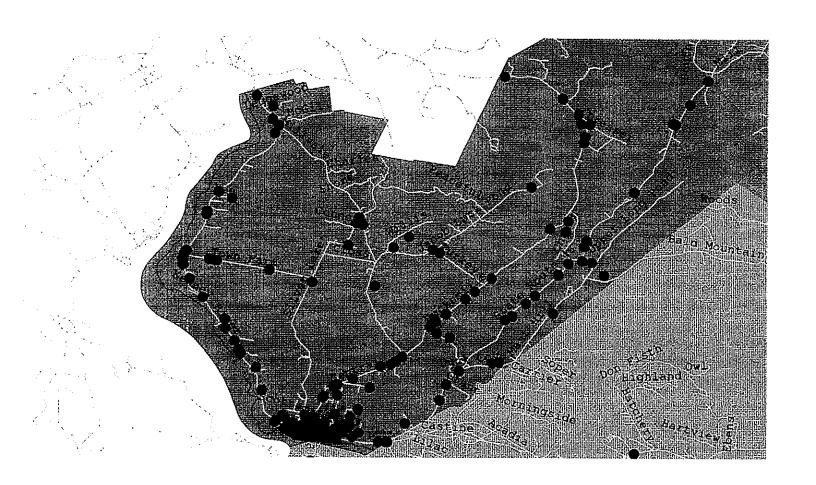
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# Bucksport Police Department Total CAD Calls Received, by Nature of Call

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Nature of Call 911 Call	Total Calls Received	% of Total
Agency Assistance	9	2.11
Alarm	24	5.62
Alcohol Offense	8	1.87
Animal Problem	1	0.23
Assault	26	6.09
	4	0.94
Attempted Burg Bail Check	1	0.23
Check Well-Bein	4	0.94
Citizen Assist	15	3.51
Citizen Dispute	14	3.28
	2	0.47
Civil complaints	3	0.70
Concealed Weapons Permit Disabled Motorist	5	1.17
	1	0.23
Disorderly Conduct	4	0.94
Domestic Argument Fire	2	0.47
Vehicle Fire	1	0.23
	1	0.23
Found Property	7	1.64
Fraud	3	0.70
Shots Fire, Shots Heard	2	0.47
Phone or Other	4	0.94
Information Report	28	6.56
Intoxicated Person	1	0.23
Juvenile Problem	4	0.94
Lost Property	4	0.94
Medical Emergency	11	2.58
Miscellaneous	2	0.47
Motor Vehicle Complaint	20	4.68
Noise Complaint	2	0.47
Parking Problem	3	0.70
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	22	5.15
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	1	0.23
Registered Sex Offender	3	0.70
Security Check	4	0.94
Serve Protection Orders	1	0.23
Serve Subpoena	1	0.23
Sex Offense	1	0.23
Special Detail	4	0.94
Attempted Suicide	1	0,23
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	20	4.68
Theft	7	1.64
Threatening	4	0.94
Traffic Hazard	14	3.28

Nature of Call Traffic Violation	Total Calls Received 121	% of Total 28.34
Trespassing	4	0.94
Vandalism	1	0.23
Violation of Protection Order	1	0.23
Warrant Arrest	1	0.23

Total reported: 427

Report Includes:

All dates between `00:01:00 10/01/17` and `00:01:00 11/01/17`, All nature of incidents, All cities, All types, All priorities, All agencies matching `BKPD`



TO: SUSAN LESSARD, TOWN MANAGER

FROM: JAY LANPHER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: OCTOBER 2017 MONTHLY REPORT

DATE: NOVEMBER 2, 2017

The month of October saw the Public Works crew spending days working on the following projects:

- 3 days stockpiling gravel for future shoulder work at the Town Garage
- 5 days supporting an Arborist removing dead trees along downtown streets
- 3 days removing and stacking floats at the Marina, Town Dock, and Fishing Pier
- 4 days patrolling roads and cleaning storm debris
- 3 days paving cross pipes and manholes before winter season
- 4 days receiving 520 tons of road salt
- 5 loads of trash were hauled to PERC from the Transfer Station this month

On the 17<sup>th</sup> the old 580 CASE backhoe was sold for \$26,600

Bucksport Fire & Rescue
October 2017 Monthly Report

Calls	October	FYTD
EMS	78	340
Fire	36	88
Inspections*	22	90
Incl. Smoke Alarm Program	25	1.41
Fire Permits	35	141
EMS Calls/Extra Crew	11	29

## **Projects & Personnel**

- Fire fighters completed dozens of Fire Prevention & Education courses at the schools as well as hosting several station tours for the kids. We also had the Penobscot County FF Association's Life Safety Trailer where kids get to see "real-life" situations first hand and to practice what they have learned from us over the years, including crawling low in smoke, checking doors to see if they are hot, knowing 2 ways out and even making an "actual" 911 call and talking to a dispatcher.
- We hosted our annual Halloween Party which was attended by more than 200 people in costumes, along with their parents (or their Kids!). Everyone seemed to enjoy the festivities and the rest of the night was actually fairly quiet for our crews.
- We have been having several issues with Engine 2 and have been working to correct those. Our pump testing company was initially unable to complete their testing due to a few different items and we were able to fix some of those locally at the Public Works facility. After those items were completed, the pump passed the annual test. However, shortly thereafter one of the pump's drive shafts failed and we had to have a new one manufactured, but it still seems to be causing some vibration issues, which we will continue to work on.
- We have had a roofing company come in to give us an estimate on some roof repairs, as we have found several spots over the last few months that are showing some slight leaking issues, mostly over the "new" addition that was built almost 20 years ago. We should have that estimate this week and will then have a better idea on how to correct the situation.

## **Emergency Calls**

• Crews responded to numerous serious calls this month including structure fires (one with a person receiving burns), several serious accidents, a double-shooting incident and a few deaths, including one involving a child. A debriefing was held for several members and we have access to clergy and counselors when our people require it. Our folks seem to be doing pretty well, considering the circumstances.

#### Training

- Fire crews participated in a tour of Webber Tanks and reviewed the safety equipment and procedures for dealing with emergency issues that may occur there. The facility's team showed crews how each tank is set up and what safety features each area had in place, including dikes, plumbing, access areas and more. Next spring we will be planning a mock exercise at that facility in cooperation with numerous other agencies.
- EMS members received the new State EMS Protocol updates from Dr. David Saquet from the EMMC Emergency Room. Every year, emergency protocols are reviewed and updated by the state EMS board and changes are implemented that all practicing EMT's must receive training on.
- Fire crews also performed hands-on training on Class "B" fires with a new propane prop supplied by the Maine Fire Service Institute. Fire fighters were able to attack these live fires utilizing different scenarios and situations including approaching a large tank fire as well as a BBQ grill fire and learning how to safely approach, contain and extinguish these types of fires.
- We also hosted a Pump Operator Course at which several members received training and review on correctly operating the trucks at a scene and learning the dynamics of water flow and pump controls.